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### USA TODAY'S FORMER WORLD EDITOR KEYNOTES UD PROGRAM

DAYTON, Ohio, October 21, 1987--The former world editor of USA Today, Donald Kirk, will give a talk at the University of Dayton on Monday, October 26. Kirk is keynoting a series of programs on the problems of reporting to and from the Third World. UD's Center for International Studies and the Journalism Division of the University's Department of Communication are co-sponsoring the series.

At a free public lecture in Miriam Hall's O'Leary Auditorium, Kirk will use his experience in reporting on U.S involvement in the Mideast and Far East to explore questions of accuracy in media coverage of crises, biases of new agencies, the role of local editors in publishing news from the Third World, and ways to improve reporting from these areas.

Kirk's assignments have included following the rise of Corazon Aquino, the withdrawal of U.S. troops from Lebanon, the hostage crisis, and the demonstrations in Korea. His talk at UD is free and open to the public.

On Tuesday, October 27, four editors from daily papers in Dayton, Cincinnati, and Columbus--including Brad Tillson of the Dayton Daily News and Journal Herald-- will discuss with Kirk the problems of more extensive reporting about Third World issues. The editors will discuss reader apathy, sources of reporting, and the role editors play in determining extent of coverage. This discussion, to be held at noon in the Kennedy Union Art Gallery, is also free and open to the public.

Call Brother Phil Aaron, S.M., at 229-4639 for more information.